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of "full-time student", "tenant rent", and "utility reimbursement", and by adding definitions of "economic self-sufficiency program", "extremely low income family", "imputed welfare income", "low income family", "very low income family", and "work activities", and in the definition of "owner", by removing the phrase "24 CFR part 885" and replacing it with "part 891 of this title", effective Apr. 28, 2000. For the convenience of the user, the superseded text is set forth as follows:

§ 5.603 Definitions.

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- (a) The terms *elderly person, low-income* family, person with disabilities, State, and very low-income family are defined in section 3(b) of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)).
- (b) The terms 1937 Act and public housing agency (PHA) are defined in §5.100.
- (c) The terms disabled family, elderly family, family, and live-in aide are defined in § 5.403.

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Full-time student. A person who is carrying a subject load that is considered full-time for day students under the standards and practices of the educational institution attended. An educational institution includes a vocational school with a diploma or certificate program, as well as an institution offering a college degree.

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Tenant rent. The amount payable monthly by the family as rent to the PHA or owner, as applicable. Where all utilities (except telephone) and other essential housing services are supplied by the PHA or owner, tenant rent equals total tenant payment. Where some or all utilities (except telephone) and other essential housing services are supplied by the PHA or owner and the cost thereof is not included in the amount paid as rent, tenant rent equals total tenant payment less the utility allowance.

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Utility reimbursement. The amount, if any, by which the utility allowance for the unit, if applicable, exceeds the total tenant payment for the family occupying the unit.

§ 5.605 Overall income eligibility for assistance.

No family other than a low-income family shall be eligible for admission to a program covered by this part.

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§ 5.607 Income limits for admission.

- (a) General—(1) Admission to units available before October 1, 1981. Not more than 25 percent of the dwelling units that were available for occupancy under Annual Contributions Contracts (ACC) and Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contracts taking effect before October 1, 1981 and that are leased on or after that date shall be available for leasing by low-income families other than very low-income families to these units.
- (2) Admission to units available on or after October 1, 1981. Not more than 15 percent of the dwelling units that initially become available for occupancy under Annual Contributions Contracts (ACC) and Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contracts on or after October 1, 1981 shall be available for leasing by low-income families other than very low-income families. Except with the prior approval of HUD under paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, no low-income family, other than a very low-income family shall be admitted to these units.
- (b) Request for exception. A request by a PHA or owner for approval of admission of low-income families other than very low-income families to units described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section must state the basis for requesting the exception and provide supporting data. Bases for exceptions that may be considered include the following:
- (1) For Section 8 Programs. (i) Low-income families that would otherwise be displaced from Section 8 Substantial Rehabilitation or Moderate Rehabilitation projects:
- (ii) Low-income families that are displaced as a result of Rental Rehabilitation or Development activities assisted under section 17 of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437o), or as a result of activities under the Rental Rehabilitation Demonstration Program;
- (iii) Need for admission of a broader range of tenants to preserve the financial or management viability of a

project because there is an insufficient number of potential applicants who are very low-income families;

- (iv) Commitment of an owner to attaining occupancy by families with a broad range of incomes, as evidenced in the application for development. An application citing this basis should be supported by evidence that the owner is pursuing this goal throughout its assisted projects in the community; and
- (v) Project supervision by a State Housing Finance Agency having a policy of occupancy by families with a broad range of incomes, supported by evidence that the Agency is pursuing this goal throughout its assisted projects in the community, or a project with financing through Section 11(b) of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437i) or under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 103).
- (2) For public housing only. (i) Need for admission of a broader range of tenants to obtain full occupancy;
- (ii) Local commitment to attaining occupancy by families with a broad range of incomes. An application citing this basis should be supported by evidence that the PHA is pursuing this goal throughout its housing program in the community;
- (iii) Need for higher incomes to sustain homeownership eligibility in a homeownership project; and
- (iv) Need to avoid displacing low-income families from a project acquired by the PHA for rehabilitation.
- (c) Action on request for exception. Whether to grant any request for exception is a matter committed by law to HUD's sole discretion, and no implication is intended to be created that HUD will seek to grant approvals up to the maximum limits permitted by statute, nor is any presumption of an entitlement to an exception created by the specification of certain grounds for exception that HUD may consider. HUD will review exceptions granted to owners and PHAs at regular intervals. HUD may withdraw permission to exercise those exceptions for program applicants at any time that exceptions are not being used or after a periodic review, based on the findings of the review.
- (d) Reporting. PHAs and owners shall comply with HUD-prescribed reporting

requirements that will permit HUD to maintain the reasonably current data necessary to monitor compliance with the income eligibility restrictions described in paragraph (a) of this section.

- (e) *Inapplicability to certain scattered site housing.* The income eligibility restrictions described in paragraph (a) of this section do not apply to scattered site public housing dwelling units sold or intended to be sold to public housing tenants under section 5(h) of the 1937 Act (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)).
- (f) Inapplicability to the Section 8 Rental Voucher and Rental Certificate Programs. The provisions of this section do not apply to the Section 8 Rental Voucher and Section 8 Rental Certificate Programs.

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FAMILY INCOME

§ 5.609 Annual income.

- (a) *Annual income* means all amounts, monetary or not, which:
- (1) Go to, or on behalf of, the family head or spouse (even if temporarily absent) or to any other family member;
- (2) Are anticipated to be received from a source outside the family during the 12-month period following admission or annual reexamination effective date; and
- (3) Which are not specifically excluded in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (4) Annual income also means amounts derived (during the 12-month period) from assets to which any member of the family has access.
- (b) Annual income includes, but is not limited to:
- (1) The full amount, before any payroll deductions, of wages and salaries, overtime pay, commissions, fees, tips and bonuses, and other compensation for personal services;
- (2) The net income from the operation of a business or profession. Expenditures for business expansion or amortization of capital indebtedness shall not be used as deductions in determining net income. An allowance for depreciation of assets used in a